## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WESTERN DIVISION No. 5:20-HC-02088-FL

CHARLES HALLINAN, JOSEAN	
KINARD, ARNOLD J. HILL, BENJAMIN	
D. MCRAE, JOHN DAILEY, LEE M.	
AYERS, GEORGE B. RIDDICK, JORGE	
LUIS MALDONADO, ANTWAN HARRIS,	
ANTHONY BUTLER, and TROY A.	
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situated individuals,	) LOCAL CIVIL RULE 40.3(B)
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THOMAS SCAPANTING, COMPLEY	
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WARDEN, FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL	
COMPLEX BUTNER; MICHAEL	
CARVAJAL, FEDERAL BUREAU OF	
PRISONS DIRECTOR; AND JEFFERY	
ALLEN, FEDERAL BUREAU OF	)
PRISONS MEDICAL DIRECTOR, in their	
official capacities,	)
Respondents/Defendants.	, )

Per Rule 40.3(b) of the local civil rules of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Plaintiffs provide notice that this case arises from a common nucleus of operative facts with, and therefore may be a "related case" to *United States v. Anthony Butler*, No. 5:18-CR-00475-BO (E.D.N.C., Boyle, J.).

Anthony Butler, a named Petitioner/Plaintiff in the instant civil action, pleaded guilty in July 2019 to one count of felon in possession of a firearm and one count of possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. Mr. Butler was sentenced to a total of five years' imprisonment and is currently housed at Federal Correctional Institute Butner Low, which is part of Federal Correctional Complex Butner ("FCC Butner"). This Court ruled on Mr. Butler's

Motion for Compassionate Release Due to COVID-19 Outbreak on May 19, 2020. *United States v. Anthony Butler*, No. 5:18-CR-00475-BO (E.D.N.C. Apr. 23, 2020), ECF No. 56; Order, *United States v. Anthony Butler*, No. 5:18-CR-00475-BO (E.D.N.C. May 19, 2020), ECF No. 60. The bases for Mr. Butler's motion and for the instant case arise from a common nucleus of operative facts—in particular the conditions at FCC Butner and the Federal Bureau of Prison's inadequate response to the COVID-19 outbreak in the complex—and the cases call for a determination of similar questions of law and fact.

Respectfully submitted this 26th day of May, 2020.

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This is to certify that a copy of the foregoing document was electronically filed on this day with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system and that a copy will be served, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(i)(1)(A)(i), along with the Complaint and Summons, by personal service on the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina at the following address:

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